

201—12.8(17A) Prehearing conference. The administrative law judge, either on the administrative law judge's own motion or at the request of the respondent, may hold a prehearing conference. The prehearing conference shall be for the purpose of identifying and premarking exhibits and other documents as well as determining stipulations or other means of limiting the issues of the hearing. Neither the department nor respondent shall be required to stipulate to any issues. The prehearing conference, if held, may be done through a telephone conference call, with all parties being involved.